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Review CD War Services Accomplishments

Activate Forces To Cope With Possible Flood

Col. Adams directs program to "meet any eventuality". List bulletins issued under Disaster Plan

Since January 1, says Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, Executive Director, the State Council of Defense has issued five bulletins to County and Local Councils and Committees and to special Activities Officers.

Colonel Lynn G. Adams, State Coordinator of the Pennsylvania Disaster Plan, has issued one bulletin dealing with possible floods.

The State Council bulletins carry the letter E; those issued in 1944 carry the letter D.

Colonel Adams' bulletin is A-1. It is the first to be issued under the State Disaster Plan.

Colonel Adams, in his bulletin, calls upon all Coordinators, of whom there are over 400, to note the possibility of floods as the result of the unusually heavy snowfall on the watersheds of Pennsylvania. "It is prudent to prepare for any eventuality. Loss of life and damage to property can be minimized by proper preparation" writes the Colonel, who suggests that each Coordinator study the possible effect of high water in his area and work out a plan of action. The State Disaster Panel, which is composed of representatives of a score of Departments of the State Government, the State Guard, State Police, elements of Civilian Defense, the Red Cross, the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, veterans' organizations and various rescue and relief agencies, has worked out a plan of cooperation with the United States Weather Bureau and the Army Engineers. Experience in other floods has been studied. Forecasts of flood stages will be issued when necessary so that Coordinators can anticipate their responsibilities during high water and arrange for the evacuation of people in areas likely to be flooded. This will forestall necessity of taking out people in boats.

Colonel Adams has asked Coordinators to complete their panels and arrange meetings, sending him names of panel members and reports on situations.

It is highly important that people know that in the event of any disaster, flood or otherwise, they should contact the Disaster Coordinator of their county or municipality whose duty it will be to work out rescue, aid and other necessities in conjunction with constituted authorities and the Red Cross. Immediate notice of any disaster should be telephoned to Colonel Adams at Harris-

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Receive National Security Awards



In top picture are the principals who took part in the presentation of the National Security Award to the Pennsylvania Electric Company, Johnstown. (Left to right): Lt. Col. William E. Pierce, industrial protection officer, OCD, Third Service Command; Philip H. Harris, President of Penelec; Charles E. Freeman, Director of Fifth SCD Region, and D. W. Jardine, Vice President of Penelec.

The scene below was snapped as the Harrisburg Gas Company received its Security Award. Reading from left to right are: L. D. Wilson, Louis C. Smith, Col. Wilfred Morgan, Mayor H. E. Milliken and Ray F. Rigelmeier.

Penelec and Harrisburg Gas Co. Honored for CD Measures

At a ceremony held in the American Legion Home in Johnstown on November 29, the Pennsylvania Electric Company was presented with the National Security Award by Lt. Col. William E. Pierce, OCD industrial protection officer of the Third Service Command.

Col. Pierce praised the Penelec for cooperating at all times with the local and state CD organizations. Outlining the state's disaster plan for the post-war period, he stated that dangers now are greater to the war effort than at any time during the conflict. Even though many functions of the CD organization have now been largely decommissioned, the speaker emphasized that it is very necessary that a skeleton organization should be maintained at all times to restore

vital services interrupted by disasters.

President P. H. Harris accepted the award for the company.

Charles E. Freeman, of Philipsburg, SCD Director of the Fifth Region, in awarding the National Security banner to the company, stressed the high accident rate in United States since Pearl Harbor and urged continued vigilance in industry to prevent interference with war production.

Award for Gas Company

The Harrisburg Gas Company was also presented with the National Security Award and pennant recently in recognition of "extraordinary achievement in establishing and maintaining security pro-

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Program Intensified In '44 Under Able Direction of Mrs. Scranton

War Services Commander



Mrs. Worthington Scranton

Under the leadership of Mrs. Worthington Scranton, Commander of War Services for State Council of Defense, each phase of this important program has been intensified in operation; increased in strength and expanded in scope during 1944. Mrs. Scranton has been commended for the effectiveness of her organization on the national level where comparisons in leadership and organization are obvious.

Pennsylvania can well proclaim loudly and proudly the accomplishments of the War Services, during 1944. This is as it should be for the longer the war lasts the greater the need for War Services. Every citizen of Pennsylvania should be working hard at some war job. To do the work well everyone must protect his health. Nutrition education will help to do this, also Victory Gardens, Food Canning and Consumer protection. Workers need the assistance of Child Care Centers and the Anti-Absenteeism program, and, as supplies are used up the Conservation phase of the Consumer program is essential. The work of the Salvage Committee is of utmost importance and the Speakers Bureau must keep active in order to stimulate interest in all these programs. Mrs. Scranton has summed up the objective of Civilian War Services very clearly and briefly—"War Services are Civilians working on the Home Front."

Reported gains in the various theatres of war should act as a spur to increased activity in War Services rather than relaxation of effort. We must match the intensity of action on the battle fronts with accelerated effort on the Home Fronts in order to hasten final

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GOVERNOR PAYS TRIBUTE TO CD

Governor Martin, in his message to the Pennsylvania General Assembly on January 2, said:

"Civilian Defense has done a magnificent job. It should be continued until victory in Germany is announced.

"The hundreds of thousands of our citizens who have done civilian defense work deserve the thanks of this Commonwealth. Victory gardens, salvage collections, auxiliary police duties, bond buying, blood donations and emergency work are most essential and must continue to have our support.

"Those protective services which are of permanent value to the people of the Commonwealth should be preserved and strengthened through our new State Disaster Plan.

"The Emergency Disaster Committee in Civilian Defense is a step in the right direction and it will enable us to use the trained Auxiliary Police and Air Wardens in the event of an emergency. We must not lose sight of the factor of morale in Civilian Defense."

Reports Gas Defense Units "Standing By"

In a recent message to the SCD Protective Council, C. L. Siebert, Gas Consultant, reported that the Gas Defense organization was "standing by."

Siebert stated in part: "There still remains the possibility of occasional accidental release of chemical agents in transit but since stocks of such materials are understood to be already built up and on location where required for prompt use, if necessary as a retaliatory weapon, there is little transportation of toxic gases on our rail or highway system.

"Although there has been little effort to keep gas defense personnel on the alert, I am quite sure that key personnel who have been trained for gas defense would be ready on a moment's notice in practically every part of the State to take charge in the event of an accident in which gas was released. In view of the present state of the war and the attitude of the civilian public it would appear futile to attempt reactivation of the gas defense service at this time."

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SCD Auxiliary Firemen Set For Emergency

"I'm safe in saying that 95 percent of the Auxiliary Fire Units are still activated and would be ready for call if necessity demanded," reports SCD Fire Chief Charles E. Clark.

Chief Clark stated that there have been only 25 pumps recalled by the Government and in these 25 cases, nothing but the pumps have been taken. All other equipment remains. "As to the regular equipment and departments, they are always ready for instant movement and are still hooked up as they were three years ago when we coordinated them for state-wide service," he continued.

Following is Chief Clerk's complete picture of OCD equipment that has been loaned to 307 communities in the Commonwealth: 402,621 armbands; 234,206 gas masks; 213,107 steel helmets; 696 trailer type pumps; 447 skid type pumps; 203 front mount type pumps; 6,658 firemen's coats; 6,634 pairs firemen's pants; 202,820 four gallon pump tank extinguishers; 3,751 adapters; 646,600 feet of 2½" hose; 269,100 feet of 1½" hose; 2,673 lengths suction hose; 1,339 fourteen-foot ladders; 1,336 twenty-four foot extension ladders; 1,340 Units—Schedule A; 1,310 Units—Schedule B; 32 ambulance bodies; 925 medical team equipment (Units); 448 casualty station equipment (Units); 4,010 canvas stretchers; 10,794 canvas cots; 14,835 first aid pouches. With a few exceptions this equipment is ready for any emergency.

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tection measures against enemy air raids, fires, sabotage and avoidable accidents."

The award took place at the company's building with Col. Wilfred A. Morgan, commanding officer of the Harrisburg Third Service Command, making the presentation speech. It was accepted by Richard L. James, assistant manager of the operating department of the company.

Lukens Gets Plaque

For the second successive year, a National Victory Garden plaque has been awarded to Lukens Steel Company, By-Products Steel Corporation and Lukenweld, Inc., of Coatesville, in recognition of the companies' outstanding contribution to the 1944 war food effort.

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victory. The war is far from won and we dare not let up in our support of the fighting forces any more than a cheering squad dare stop cheering when the home team scores a point on the gridiron.

Reports from the War Services Theatres of action assure us of the continuing cooperation of our fighting volunteers on many home fronts but there is danger of feeling smug and complacent in the counties and settling back into the reflected glow of the state-wide apparently bright picture. Each county must contribute its quota of effort—the suspension of service in just one county threatens the strength and unity of effort necessary for a solid front line in this vast army of Pennsylvania volunteers.

In many instances, in peace time there was a real need on the county and local levels for the programs offered under Civilian War Services which the war has made more acute. Recognition of the need is the first step in promoting any program of service. Each program is equally important and necessary because of the interdependence of the services; for instance, one cannot think of the Child Care program without relation to Nutrition and Nutrition automatically links itself with Victory Gardens and Food Conservation, both of which touch the Consumer program, and each of these in turn has a definite tie-up with Absenteeism in industry. Volunteer recruitment through CDVO and Block Plan furnishes the man power for all services. Because of the closely related functions of the various war services it is noteworthy that instead of overlapping they have dovetailed into a unified constructive program as the following review indicates.

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burg. This information as well as any appeal for help beyond ability to obtain at home sectors should be telephoned to the State Control Center in the State Capitol, telephone number 3195.

Emphasis is placed in bulletin A-1 on importance of surveys of possible disasters such as floods and the making of inventories of resources available in manpower, organizations such as Civilian Defense, Red Cross, motor vehicle owners, vehicular equipment and material likely to be needed. By knowing in advance what may be needed time will be saved and confusion avoided in emergencies.

The bulletins issued by the State Council relate to National Security Awards, arrangements for Air Raid and Emergency Wardens to contact State Fire Wardens so as to help in forest fires; changes in the State Council Offices, Civilian Defense cooperation in aiding recruitment of O.P.A. Price Panel Assistants and information for reporting persons enrolled in Victory Garden activities in 1945.

The State Council Offices issued two Information Sheets at the instance of the Pennsylvania Red Cross, dealing with the serious nursing situation and concerning mail for prisoners of war.

Copies of any of the above publications may be obtained by addressing the State Council Offices, State Capitol, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

CD Volunteer Office

Under the direction of Mrs. E. Louise Van Valkenburg, Civilian Defense Volunteer Offices as such became effective in October, 1941, to register volunteers for civilian defense. Some 42 women's defense units formed a nucleus for CDVOs. At the peak of activity in 1944 there were 415 CDVOs serving as the official arm of the Council of Defense in recruiting and enrolling volunteers, serving the community as a clearing house for volunteers and volunteer work, making analyses of skills and available free time, which records are now on file for any emergency.

In June of 1942 the United States Citizens Service Corps was set up in order to give recognition to volunteers (in the non-protective services. Later this was amended to include protective services as well). In May 1943 service bar awards were made available to all unpaid workers in Civilian Defense. To date 41385 awards have been made in 43 counties. In August 1943 the Jr. USCSC was set up as part of the USCSC in cooperation with CDVOs in the counties of the Commonwealth.

In October 1942 Block Plan organization was inaugurated. The Block Plan has been a valuable means of collecting and disseminating information developed by Civilian War Services. Important surveys have been made. Following a recent survey on Victory Gardens the Block Plan was found to be the most objective and extensive means of securing necessary statistical information. The purposes of the Block Plan are (1) to carry forward Civilian War Services; (2) to stimulate recruitment of volunteers; (3) to get important information into every home rapidly and accurately; (4) to collect information which may be needed for future planning and (5) to promote a spirit of cooperation in neighborhood enterprises.

Child Care

The bureau of Child Care with Mrs. Benjamin Ludlow as Director was created in October 1942 as a part of War Services of the State Council of Defense to organize Child Care Centers for the care of children of working mothers in war industries. At that time 150,000 women were already at work in war industries alone and the anticipated need for additional women in industry in Pennsylvania for the six months following was 80,000.

In consultation with the War Manpower Commission 25 counties were selected in which existed a vital need for female employees. In those counties the Defense Councils were asked to appoint Child Care Committees, either in the county or in those communities requiring such a Committee. Fifty-one committees were appointed to study the local need. Twenty of these actually found need for and established centers for the care of children of working mothers. As of October 31, 1944, there were 360,255 women in war work. To meet this demand advice and help have been given during the two years of operation to 73 localities, 47 for pre-school and 26 for school age children with a capacity of 2585. During this period of operation 4595 different children have attended the centers for varying periods; 3574 different mothers have been served and in the month of October 665 fathers of these children were in the armed forces. Fourteen additional centers for 440 children were being prepared as of November 1, 1944.

During the year 1943 Miss Margaret T. Stone and Mrs. Francis Tucker were appointed as Child Care Consultants.

They help to purchase equipment, set up the physical centers, give in-service training and consultation at least once a month to the centers, establish a personnel registry and educational packets for loan to the centers. They have made a most valuable contribution to Pennsylvania's Child Care Program, the effect of which will be felt long after the emergency has passed.

Teen-Age Recreational Program

In the process of developing Child Care Centers, some committees, realizing that their problem definitely included teen-age youngsters, established recreational centers for them. From the success of a number of such community projects sprang the Teen-Age Recreational Program under Civilian War Services. Immediately following his appointment as Director of this important undertaking in July, 1944, Mr. Harry Hirsch made a preliminary survey in order to obtain the pulse of interest throughout the state for teen-age guidance. The prompt and cooperative response of cities and towns in organizing adult committees and opening centers with adult supervision proved the urgency of the need for this service. To date Mr. Hirsch reports 35 active centers. The outstanding success of this project was given recognition recently in the national weekly "Civilian War Front". Up to the present time the State Council has been called upon to assist financially in relatively few cases. This spirit of willingness on the part of local communities to become self-supporting in their teen-age recreational activities is most commendable.

Consumer Interests

According to Mrs. Conway Zirkle, Chairman of Consumer Interest Advisory Committee, one of the outstanding accomplishments of this important Committee in 1944 has been the survey work for the Office of Civilian Requirements of the War Production Board. Through the functions of the Advisory Committee information on civilian consumer needs has been transmitted to the War Production Board in such form that they can alleviate the worst shortages without depriving the Armed Forces in any way. This could not have been done without the continued faithful assistance of the County Consumer Chairmen. They have carried on their regular activities in Consumer Conservation, and Education through newspapers, libraries, club announcements, classes, exhibits, etc., and have been ready to work on the extra duties as they have arisen.

Victory Gardens and Food Conservation

The Victory Garden and Food Conservation program, under the leadership of Mrs. Hiram B. Eliason and Doctor Warren Mack, is outstanding. The goal set in 1943 was a terrific challenge but was met by maintaining the lead over all other states with a total of approximately 1,400,000 gardens. One of the highlights of 1944 was the publication of the State Victory Garden Handbook which is a comprehensive guide as to planning, harvesting and conserving.

As a means of increasing our nation's food supply, both fresh and canned, or otherwise conserved for winter use, the Victory Garden has more than justified itself.

A report of the annual meeting held this month appears in another section of this issue. According to a survey made through Block Plan 71.2 percent of all families interviewed reported that they had canned fruit, vegetables and other food during the year. The Depart-

ment of Public Instruction and the State Council of Defense jointly sponsored 105 community paid conservation centers, the Council supplying 180 retorts for this work, during the year.

Nutrition

Since food is the strongest weapon of war the nutritional status of civilians is of paramount importance. In the face of war time food shortages it is imperative that maximum food values be utilized and balanced dietaries maintained. Expert advice and information on nutrition programs are available to civilians in Pennsylvania through the personal service of Dr. Pauline Beery Mack, Director of Nutrition for War Services. Dr. Mack is also Director of the Ellen Richards Institute at State College, where she has supervised dietary studies for the past nine years. Pennsylvania is fortunate in having this accumulated information about her civilians which helps to overcome dietary deficiencies, which is one of the greatest contributions Dr. Mack has made to the overall program of War Services. In cooperation with Victory Gardens and Food Conservation program all possible help is offered by Dr. Mack to civilians on what to plant to add to the nutritional well being of families of all sizes and composition.

Reduction of Absenteeism

Dietary deficiencies, reducing endurance of workers, have been responsible for much absenteeism in vital defense industries. One of the first functions of the program for Reduction of Absenteeism, headed by Mr. Norman Howard, was a campaign to promote proper nutrition for war workers with emphasis on "pack a lunch that packs a punch," which promises to accomplish lasting results in the fight on absenteeism. In some instances study of home nutrition deficiencies of workers also was conducted.

The swift influx of women into industry created a situation requiring Child Care Centers where employed mothers could leave their children during working hours. This plan worked out through cooperation with war services of the State Council of Defense made for more contented employees and resulted in better production.

Special Activities

Special activities of War Services, under the direction of Mrs. Walter Spofford, include Pre Induction service, Nurses Aides, Hospital Men Volunteers and cooperation with the State Nursing Council in the procurement of nurses for the armed forces and for essential civilian needs.

The request from the War Department for a definite program of information to the thousands of Pennsylvania's inductees facing adjustment from civilian to military life met with an active and sympathetic response from the State Council of Defense. Early in 1944 an experimental meeting was held in Harrisburg. With the full cooperation of the Draft Boards, the Harrisburg School Board and Commandants of nearby military centers a program was arranged which included talks on Dependency Allowances and Classifications and Customs of the Service, followed by a question period which was animated and extremely interesting. Over 150 inductees with members of their families were present. This meeting definitely proved the need and plans were at once expanded for a State Program, which instantly met with gratifying success. Meetings held in 28 communities

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fully justified the program in Pennsylvania. The Inductees who know what lies ahead and are relieved that proper provisions have been made for those they leave behind enter the services in a far happier frame of mind and have proved to be better soldiers than those who go in with the weight of their responsibilities upon their shoulders.

Mrs. Spofford has worked in close cooperation with the American Red Cross in stimulating recruitment of volunteers for Nurses Aides and has served on a number of local committees in order to keep in close touch with the needs in this important field. Because of the nursing emergency the State Council of Defense added a Nursing Consultant to the War Service Staff. Miss Mary Bulman works entirely through the State Nursing Council stimulating recruitment and classification through the State. A more detailed report on this program appears in another section of this issue under the title "OCD aids Recruitment of Nurses in Penna." Hospitals throughout the State, particularly in the large cities, have welcomed the Hospital Men Volunteer Program. Men from all walks of life have signed up for volunteer service in hospitals as elevator operators, information clerks, orderlies and other necessary services.

Salvage

The State Advisory Committee on Salvage, headed by Warren R. Roberts, Chairman, Mrs. D. Ray Murdock, vice-Chairman, and Colley S. Baker, Executive Secretary, together with the very active county and local committees on Salvage, have kept Pennsylvania well up in the front ranks of salvage collection. Twenty counties made the November honor roll in waste paper collections which remains a critical salvage material.

Pennsylvania's program for collection of prepared tin cans through the schools has been given national acclaim.

New monthly prize awards and special state prizes have been announced in order to keep tin cans rolling.

The efforts of the Salvage Committee to keep up with waste paper and tin can collections deserves the support of every Pennsylvania home.

Speakers Bureau

Through the Speakers Bureau, under the direction of Mrs. Jean D. Doverspike, and Dean A. R. Warnock, Chairman of Advisory Committee, all of the War Services program have been stimulated in local communities. Speakers Bureaus have been organized with a Director in each county and in cities and towns where local Councils operate. Special patriotic programs have been planned and state-wide tours for imported speakers have been conducted. In cooperation with Army Intelligence speaking campaigns stressing the importance of the Security of Military Information have been promoted through the Speakers Bureau. Mrs. Doverspike also books films upon request for Defense Council organizations and other organized groups throughout the State.

Red Cross Cooperation

A very close relationship exists between Red Cross and State Council of Defense Civilian War Services, with Miss Cecile Kennedy, Assistant Regional Director of the eastern area of the Red Cross, as active liaison representative meeting regularly with Civilian War Services Staff.

TEEN-AGE NOTES

Meadville's new youth center did a booming business on its second night with about 400 young people taking full advantage of the entertainment facilities offered, reports the Meadville Tribune.

"Townpeople noted a decided lack of teen-agers on the streets of the downtown district, showing what an effective job the new center is doing in providing a way to spend idle hours," the paper continued.

Greensburg's Youth Center was reopened recently and extensive plans were made for future activities by the Recreational Council in charge, headed by Rev. Charles R. Zweig.

Continuance of the Center was made possible by the offer of Mrs. C. A. Gallatin, president of the Greensburg Coca Cola Company, to pay the rent of the Center for a month or two if necessary. It was decided to investigate the possibility of securing other quarters with no rent attached.

After a half year's preparation, the Vandergrift Youth Canteen was reopened recently, under the direction of Mrs. Charles H. Snyder of the Vandergrift Woman's Club.

Membership cards must be shown to gain admittance, dues being \$1 a year or 60 cents for six months.

Harry Hirsch, director of the SCD Teen-Age Program, spoke before the Grove City Rotary Club recently, complimenting the community for having made a start toward opening a youth center. He urged that the teen-agers be let run their own show when the center is in operation. He assured the club that the center will receive, through Burgess H. A. Young, an appropriation of up to \$500 from SCD.

With the idea of encouraging the establishment of Youth Centers in keeping with the SCD Teen-age Program, Col. Thomas H. Atherton, chairman of the Luzerne County Council has announced the appointment of an adult and youth committee. The adult committee will establish and supervise at least one youth center in Wilkes-Barre, the active management of which will be placed in the hands of a youth committee. Nanticoke has started a center and Forty Fort has had one for the past two years.

2640 Children Being Cared For In SCD Centers

Eight additional child care centers (in Philadelphia, Scranton, Moon Township, Allegheny County and Westminster Township, Berks County) are to be opened soon.

"In Pennsylvania 2640 children whose mothers, in most cases, are employed in war factories are being cared for in 79 child care centers operated by the State Council of Defense," states Mrs. Benjamin Ludlow, Director of the Bureau of Child Care. It is estimated that the care given children in these centers has released 2,000 women to industry and other duties.

Fifty-one of the centers are for pre-school age children (two to six years old) and 28 for school age children (six to twelve). Centers were opened recently in Pottstown, Philadelphia (Feltonville), Pittsburgh (Hazelwood) and Hatboro.

All centers are open twelve hours a day, six days a week, the schedule of hours being determined by the local industrial schedule. Some centers open at six a. m. for mothers going to work at seven. These children are put to bed and breakfast is given them at eight o'clock.

There is one teacher for from eight to ten children of pre-school age and one teacher for from 15 to 25 children of school age.

Mrs. Eliason Injured In Automobile Accident

Mrs. H. B. Eliason, State Victory Garden Chairman, was injured in an automobile accident on January 12th near Elizabethtown, en route from Harrisburg to Philadelphia. Her car skidded on a very slippery hill and a truck coming toward her was not able to avoid hitting her machine. She was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital in Lancaster with three broken ribs, a fractured knee and lacerations of the head. However, she is recovering rapidly.

Anti-Inflation Drive Planned

During February and March, the Advisory Committee on Consumers Interests is cooperating with the Information Officers of OPA in the Grocer-Consumer Anti-Inflation Campaign, Mrs. Conway Zirkle, chairman, announces. It is hoped through radio and newspaper releases to help guard against inflation and thus avoid inflationary chaos harmful alike to retailers and consumers.

The week beginning March 26 has been set as the period during which consumers will be asked to note and record ceiling prices of all foods purchased so that they may become acquainted with the correct procedures. This may help also in curbing wild spending by paying whatever is asked for an article as long as cash is available. Consumers should be made aware of what money can buy so they may get the true value of it.

Lackawanna Chairman Honored by Bar Ass'n.

Atty. M. J. Martin, Scranton, was signally honored recently by being elected by acclamation a director of the Lackawanna County Bar Association, in recognition of his long and valuable service.

Atty. Martin has been Chairman of the Lackawanna County Council of Defense since the inception of the council and recently was appointed Coordinator of the Lackawanna Disaster Plan.

Police Chiefs Welcome Auxiliary Police Aid

Harold W. Pierce, SCD Auxiliary Police Chief, has been contacting Chiefs of Police throughout the State and reports their readiness to work with SCD's police unit.

Col. Lynn G. Adams, Disaster Coordinator, has urged Auxiliary Police to work in cooperation with regular police departments in all emergencies and be under constituted authority.

WHAT TO DO IN EVENT OF BOMBING

Instructions for the guidance of civilians in the event of a robot bomb attack on the United States, are contained in a bulletin prepared by the National Office of Civilian Defense. It states:

In the event that robot or rocket bomb attacks are made upon the United States and some bombs should land in your community here is what you should do:

1. Air raid signals may not sound. If the air raid signals do sound, follow the rules in which you have been instructed.
2. Obey the orders of local authority including civilian defense personnel.
3. These bombs may fall without warning. Be on the alert.
4. If a bomb is seen or heard approaching, dive behind any protection available or lie face down and protect your head and face with your arms.
5. In case of continued bombing, seek the nearest shelter. Get Indoors! Avoid the hazard of flying glass.
6. In case of intermittent bombing attack, proceed cautiously but remain on the alert to take shelter if necessary.
7. Do not use the telephone unless you need help.
8. If you are near a radio, keep it tuned to a local station.
9. Curb your curiosity. Do not go to the scene of the bomb explosion. Stay where you are or go about your business.
10. Do not rely upon and do not spread rumors.
11. Be Calm.

SCD Field Men Map Activity

At a meeting of SCD Regional Representatives held January 11, Col. Lynn G. Adams, State Coordinator, described steps that have been taken to provide advance information to County Disaster Coordinators on the height of water if flood conditions appear imminent.

Col. Adams has urged that Coordinators proceed at once with surveys of their respective communities to determine in advance at what stage any location or section may be flooded so that they will be able to take the necessary steps in evacuation of persons, protection of property, etc.

Col. Adams stated that he had attended a meeting of Coordinators from the northern section of the Susquehanna River, held at Williamsport, and was quite pleased with the progress already made to handle a flood situation should it occur. A similar meeting of Coordinators from the western part of the state will be held at Pittsburgh. Park Martin is Coordinator of Allegheny County.

George Shreiner described the method by which the Department of Forests and Waters receives reports of river readings, upon which forecasts of water levels at key points along the streams are prepared. He displayed blueprints prepared by Army Engineers of cities showing areas flooded in 1936. An attempt will be made to supply coordinators with similar blueprints of cities. Appointment of local Coordinators is progressing steadily throughout the State, it was reported.

In reviewing activities of the past year in the various branches of Civilian Defense, it was agreed that many obstacles had been overcome and that CD organizations throughout the State stand ready for whatever duty they might be called upon to perform during the new year.

Local Councils To Help Recruit OPA Price Aides

Local Councils of Defense have been asked to give immediate attention to aiding the Office of Price Administration in the recruitment of Price Panel Assistants of War Price and Rationing Boards.

In a recent bulletin, Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, SCD Executive Director, pointed out: "The work of Price Panel Assistant is an urgent and patriotic service essential in the winning of the war. Our volunteer offices are hereby authorized and urged to recruit Price Panel Assistants on the same basis as we now recruit Cadet Nurses. After recruitment and enlistment through our Volunteer Office, the Price Panel Assistants will be trained and assigned by the Office of Price Administration and will become volunteer members of that organization and will not be members of the Council of Defense, as such."

Dr. Hutchison pointed out that under Acts of General Assembly, the State Council has only one policing duty and that is in war-caused emergencies. Hence no Civilian Defense personnel acting as such, can serve as Price Panel Assistants though any person may do it as a citizen and apart from any Civilian Defense relationship.

R. F. Riegelmeir Leaves Council

Ray F. Riegelmeir resigned recently as Chief Emergency Warden and Plant Protection Officer of the State Council of Defense to enter private industry at Huntingdon.

Riegelmeir's duties will be absorbed by present members of the State Council staff. Joseph Hutchison, Regional Representative, will head the Emergency Wardens and Fred Ott, of the property control section, will direct the plant protection and State Warning System work, Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, SCD Executive Director, stated.

Riegelmeir, while serving as traffic engineer of the Department of Highways, began assisting the State Council of Defense in part-time work early in 1942 as Illumination Control Officer in charge of blackout lighting specifications. He was assigned Plant Protection Officer in January, 1943 and in September, 1943 his services were lent full-time by the Highways Department to the Defense Council. In May, 1944, he was appointed Chief Air Raid Warden, in addition to his other duties, and had charge of blackouts, the State Warning System and more recently the Emergency Wardens.

Two months ago, Riegelmeir was named First Deputy Coordinator to Col. Lynn G. Adams under the State Disaster Plan promulgated by Governor Edward Martin. No successor has yet been named for this position, it was stated.

Schuylkill Gardeners Are Planning for Spring

Albert I. Krommes, chairman of the Victory Garden program in Schuylkill County, is urging Victory Gardeners in his county to begin planning now for the Spring.

Chairman Krommes points out: "It is not too early to set up a gardening program ready for action when the early days for planting arrive."

State Victory Garden Group Holds Meeting

The Annual meeting of the State Victory Garden Committee was held Thursday, January 18 in the Senate Caucus Room at the State Capitol. In the absence of the State Chairman, Mrs. Hiram B. Eliason who was in a Lancaster Hospital following a motor accident, Dr. Warren B. Mack, Executive Secretary of the Committee presided.

At the morning session reports were given by Chairmen from Lycoming, Mifflin, Center, Allegheny and Chester Counties and Harrisburg. These reports with few exceptions showed as many gardens as last year, stimulated interest in Food Conservation, and excellent cooperation with large industries who have fostered garden projects among their employees. In Pittsburgh alone there were approximately 10,000 such gardens.

Reports were given by the three State Food Conservation Chairmen; Mrs. G. Ira Stott for the Central Region, Mrs. Harry M. Aronson for the Western Region and Mrs. Edward J. Garra for the Eastern Region. Mrs. Stott expressed appreciation of the fine cooperation of the Department of Public Instruction and particularly of H. C. Fetterolf, Chief of the Bureau of Agricultural Education. She reported that 200 large pressure cookers or retorts have been purchased by the State Council and that 60 are still available for new Centers. 31 kitchens are operating in the Western Region, 32 in the Eastern Region and 42 in the Central Region. Mr. Fetterolf, reporting on the Canning Centers said his Department was stressing classes in Nutrition and Gardening as well as Food Conservation.

At the afternoon session greetings from Governor Martin were brought by Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, Executive Director of the State Council of Defense. The Honorable Miles Horst, State Secretary of Agriculture gave an address in which he stated: "Victory Gardens will be more important in 1945 than in any other war year. The State, National and International food situation is tightening up. Ration points have been restored or increased on most canned fruits and vegetables indicating scarcity. Uncertain weather conditions and lack of skilled labor have cut production. Growing conditions throughout the world have deteriorated. . . I am convinced that Victory Gardens will be more important as a source of family food reserves in 1945 than in any other war year. More food must be grown at home."

Hon. Seth Gordon said the State Game Commission is anxious to give all help and encouragement possible but asked that leaders realize control of rabbits and insects is an all year job and not a seasonal matter. No rabbits have been imported this year.

A summary of the year's work in Pennsylvania was given by Dr. Warren B. Mack, who reported a total of 1,400,000 gardens. Dr. Mack said all evidence indicates that the Victory Garden program continued to make an outstanding and very necessary contribution to the food supply of the Nation in 1944 and statements of responsible State and National officials indicate that home food production will continue to be an essential civilian activity in 1945.

Three Nationally known speakers concluded the program.

EMPHASIZES NEED OF VICTORY GARDENS

Following the meeting of the Advisory Committee on Victory Gardens and Food Conservation held January 18, Mrs. Worthington Scranton, Commander of War Services, declared:

"We are very proud of the cooperation we have received from the people of Pennsylvania in the splendid Victory Garden Program which Mrs. Hiram B. Eliason, Doctor Warren Mack and Doctor Pauline Beery Mack have developed. This year Judge Marvin Jones, War Food Administrator has made a special request for us to double our efforts. A great deal more food will be necessary than has ever been produced before, not only to meet our own needs, but the exigencies of the war."

Ex-CD Staffers In Armed Forces

Three members of the State Council of Defense Headquarters' Staff now in the Armed Forces, visited the offices in the State Capitol and were warmly greeted by their associates. They were on military leave from the State Council Service.

Lieutenant Richard V. Wall, USNR, who was Director of Publicity is now stationed at the Philadelphia Navy Yard awaiting orders. Mr. Wall established DEFENSE NEWS and had charge of publicity of Civilian Defense in Pennsylvania at the State level almost from the organization of the State Council.

Private John Robert Jones who was in the Distribution of Documents Office the first year of the State Council, paid a visit during his furlough from an Infantry Division which has been stationed in the Aleutians. He is a veteran of the campaigns at Kiska and other Islands.

Dorothy Kugler, Seaman Second Class, WAVES, recently stationed in Florida, called at the State Council Office while on leave. She was formerly in the correspondence division.

J. C. Lester Bryant, former Chief Air Raid Warden now in an Infantry regiment in Belgium, has been in the thick of the fighting since September. His former associates have received a number of letters from him.

Make Survey Of Hospitals

Base hospital facilities are available in Pennsylvania to handle 8,344 acute cases and 2,917 convalescents, not counting those in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, Major Roger A. Greene, SCD Hospitalization Officer, reports following a recent survey.

On service casualties, the survey showed under 60 days patients could be cared for the extent of 2,737 acute cases and 540 convalescents; over 60 days, 1,440 acute cases and 540 convalescents. Contact with Philadelphia and Pittsburgh hospitals revealed they could care for 1,350 and 1,688 cases of an acute character; on a basis of over 60 days, these hospitals could care for 400 acute cases.

Summary of Major Greene's report shows that hospitals of Pennsylvania could handle 6,250 acute cases, 540 convalescent cases under 60 days and 1,840 acute cases and 540 convalescent cases on an over 60-day basis.

Calls On State Publishers To Spur Salvage Collections Throughout 1945

Presenting his annual report on Pennsylvania salvage collections with an appeal for increased collection efforts in 1945, Colley S. Baker, executive secretary of the Advisory Committee of the State Council of Defense, told the Harrisburg convention of the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers' Association that Pennsylvania last year "accomplished twice as good a job in waste paper collections as the nation as a whole."

National collections increased, he said, from 6,000,000 tons in 1943 to 7,000,000 tons in 1944.

"The War Production Board goal for 1944 was 8,000,000 tons of waste paper, which former Chairman Nelson said were necessary for war production and essential civilian needs, Baker declared. It was upon that basis that the State Salvage Committee determined that Pennsylvania's share, on the basis of our population as compared with the population of the nation, would be 600,000 tons for the year."

He pointed out that the year's total collections amounted to 585,043 tons, or 97½ percent of the State's goal, while the country at large collected 7,000,000 tons, or 87½ percent of the national goal.

"In waste paper," he said, "we are no better off than we were a year ago. I believe that mill inventories are lower than ever before. Some mills have had to curtail production, and others are forced to close or are threatened with closing for lack of waste paper."

Collection of rags in Pennsylvania last year amounted to 45,197,403 pounds, an increase of 21,126,057 over 1943, and the collection of used fats increased from 9,106,919 pounds in 1943 to 15,730,506 pounds in 1944.

Only in two phases of the salvage program did Pennsylvania's collections show a decrease, Baker said. These were in tin cans, prepared for detinning, and iron and steel scrap.

"During 1944, 12,656 gross tons of prepared tin cans were shipped from Pennsylvania to detinning plants," he said, "which is not a very enviable record when one considers that in 1943 we collected 17,032 tons."

"Tin today," continued Baker, "is a very critical material. I would say that tin is equally important as waste paper for now that the national stockpile of tin has reached a new all-time low since the beginning of the war, tin cans—prepared for detinning—appear to be virtually our only recoverable source of this precious metal."

Pennsylvania's collections of iron and steel scrap dropped from 498,259 tons in 1943 to 262,961 tons in 1944. This was due to a general lack of demand for scrap metals.

870 Philadelphia CD Workers Receive Bars

Civilian Defense service bars were presented to 870 volunteers by Mrs. Francis R. Strawbridge, chief of the Philadelphia Citizens Service Corps with appropriate ceremonies.

Represented in the group receiving the awards were 75 agencies. Twenty-nine members of the service corps received bars for 5000 hours of service; 25 for 4000 hours, 74 for 3000 hours, 72 for 2000 hours, 218 for 1000 hours and 452 for 500 hours.

This was the third mass presentation of awards for volunteer service. Last Jan. 17 service bars were awarded to 711 persons and in May 610 awards were made.

CD Lends Hand In Recruitment Of Army Nurses

The recommendation to draft nurses has made the public shortly aware of the importance of nursing service to the armed forces. Representative May, Chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee introduced a bill in Congress for this purpose on January 9, 1945, and nursing organizations at both the National and state levels support the recommendations of the President of the United States to secure nurses in this time of dire emergency.

The State Council of Defense has a substantial stake in the war nursing program and one of its staff is Mary M. Bulman, R.N. whose function is to assist fifty-six (56) local nursing councils for war service in Pennsylvania with a program which includes securing nurses for military service, meeting essential civilian nursing needs, and recruiting students for schools of nursing as well as considering post war plans in nursing.

Casualties have increased markedly with stepped up war operations—we are given the staggering figure of over 12,000 casualties per week, and Pennsylvania with more schools of nursing than any other state (125 schools,) and a large nurse population is expected to provide at least 10% of the country's total quota of nurses for the military. The immediate call for 20,000 nurses means that 2,000 of the number will be recruited in this State.

The State Council of Defense asked the assistance of the Governor of the Commonwealth and he issued a statement to the press announcing the week of January 8th as Nurse Recruitment Week, and in addition Governor Martin made a timely radio address over a state-wide hook-up on the night of January 9th. As a result of the publicity recruitment has been stimulated throughout the State. Two members of the Army Nurse Corps who have had foreign service have been assigned to Pennsylvania to speed up enrollment. Captain Mary C. Haggerty is stationed in Philadelphia and will cover the eastern part of the State. Lt. Manette C. Lyons is stationed in Pittsburgh for western Pennsylvania.

More than 5,000 Pennsylvania nurses have volunteered for service in the Army or Navy Nurse Corps but more are needed urgently. The State has a total nurse power of 50,000 registered nurses and in addition over 3,000 new graduates come into the field annually—enough nurses to meet both military and civilian needs.

Women to Play Major Role in Post-War Plans

Cooperating with Luzerne County Committee for Economic Development, headed by Dr. Eugene Farley, Civilian Defense women of Wilkes-Barre and vicinity will play an important role in the development of a program to provide work for all when the war ends.

The Wilkes-Barre Independent reports: "The women have done a splendid job in the Civilian Defense program and their efforts in the various War Bond drives have long been recognized as largely responsible for their success."

CD ACTIVITIES IN OTHER STATES

Minnesota—State Council of Defense has received an appropriation and will continue to function in 1945.

Wyoming—In October all Local Councils of Defense were asked if, in their opinion, Civilian Defense should be continued. Of the 75 Local Councils in the State all but one replied in the affirmative. Wyoming now has 9,204 volunteers in the Defense Corps, and 7,422 in Civilian War Services.

Missouri—Kansas City Auxiliary Firemen helped fight a two and one-half million dollar fire which destroyed vast supplies of sulfa drugs and 400 pints of blood plasma.

North Carolina—State Office of Civilian Defense previously scheduled its close on December 31, will be continued.

Louisiana—It was announced that the 15,000 Civilian Defense volunteers in New Orleans will be asked to function in a post-war role as a volunteer organization.

Delaware—The State Council of Defense has recommended to all Local Councils that all Civilian Defense units which have been allowed to disband, be reactivated immediately.

Illinois—Chicago has made an appropriation of \$150,000 for Civilian Defense purposes during 1945.

California—San Francisco Auxiliary Police have petitioned the Police Commissioner to make them reserves with the regular Police Department.

Pat On Back From Governor

General Edward Martin, Governor of Pennsylvania, and Chairman of the State Council of Defense, paid tribute to the hundreds of thousands of men and women enrolled in Civilian Defense in Pennsylvania in an address on the second anniversary of his Administration, broadcast from the Executive Mansion in Harrisburg, on the evening of January 19.

In his record of accomplishments, the Governor listed the following by Civilian Defense:

- (1) "Enacted the best military ballot law of the Nation. More than 500,000 service men and women were enrolled by Civilian Defense and ballots were sent them."
- (2) "The State Council of Defense maintains the most highly trained corps in America, numbering more than one million, for our protection. It has also led in salvage collections, in establishing teen-age and child-care centers, and was foremost in victory garden and food conservation programs."

CD ENROLLMENTS UP

Civilian Defense volunteer enrollments in December showed an increase of 883, Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, SCD Executive Director, announced after a recapitulation of reports from all counties.

On December 31, the total number of volunteers enrolled in all CD branches in Pennsylvania was 1,482,566. Included in this total are 563,702 members of the Defense Corps, a gain of 181 over the previous month.

A total of 918,864 volunteers are identified with Civilian War Services, including 360,140 engaged solely in salvage activities. This is an increase of 702 over the previous month.

LISTS NEWLY APPOINTED DP COORDINATORS

State-Wide Disaster Plan Response Most Encouraging--Dr. Hutchison

Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, Executive Director of the State Council of Defense, says the cooperation of County and Municipal authorities in the establishment of the State Disaster Plan, contemplated in Governor Martin's directive of September 15 has been splendid. "Throughout the State there has been a general realization of the importance of the Disaster Plan as a means of furnishing effective help to people of Pennsylvania when needed," Dr. Hutchison states.

Colonel Lynn G. Adams, State Coordinator, says a number of the County Coordinators had practically established their Panels, and from reports coming to him counties on the big watersheds were preparing to meet high water conditions. "The Disaster Plan has been taken hold of vigorously in a number of counties and I hope the County Coordinators will complete their Panels as quickly as possible."

Colonel Adams announced that since the last issue of DEFENSE NEWS, County, Municipal, City, Borough and Township Coordinators had been appointed as follows:

ALLEGHENY COUNTY

City
McKeesport—Carl T. Bechtol, 611 Peoples Bank Building
Pittsburgh—Frank Roessing, 506 City-County Building—Court 6913, Res. Montrose 3891

Borough
McKees Rocks—John R. Noble, 821 Chartiers Avenue, McKees Rocks

BERKS COUNTY

Borough
Mohnton—Melvin Kauffman, 50 N. Church Street, Mohnton—2-2479
Sinking Springs—Broke R. Stitzer, 646 Penn Ave., Sinking Springs—8-9037
St. Lawrence—Thomas A. Adams, Esterly
Temple—George Vogel, 524 Tuckerton Avenue, Temple

Township
Bern—Abner Smith, R. D. No. 1, West Leesport
Marion—Warren C. Klopp, Stouchsburg
North Heidelberg—Floyd Kloppe, R. D. No. 1, Robesonia—Womelsdorf 98R5
Oley—James S. Deysher, Oley

BLAIR COUNTY

Borough
Duncansville—J. Sylvan Tate, Duncansville
Holidaysburg—W. H. Bowers, Holidaysburg—91-151
Martinsburg—F. B. Higgins, Martinsburg—186
Newry—Thomas McCoy, Newry—Holidaysburg 91-9020
Roaring Spring—R. D. Lorenz, Roaring Spring—147
Williamsburg—W. E. Bell, Williamsburg—102-R-11

Township
Allegheny—William K. Ickes, R. D. No. 2, Altoona
Antis—Raymond A. Cherry, Bellwood—Altoona 92-2873
Blair—W. H. Bowers, Holidaysburg—91-151
Frankstown—W. H. Bowers, Holidaysburg—91-151
Freedom—Harry F. Kensing, R. D. No. 1, Duncansville—Holidaysburg 91-127-J-1
Greenfield—John L. Carn, Claysburg—23
Huston—F. B. Higgins, Martinsburg—186
Juniata—J. Sylvan Tate, Duncansville
Logan—H. Atlee Brumbaugh, City Hall, Altoona—2-3560
North Woodbury—F. B. Higgins, Martinsburg—186
Snyder—Harry N. Glass, Tyrone—643
Tyrone—Harry N. Glass, Tyrone—643

BUCKS COUNTY

Borough
Bristol—William Fine, 245 Radcliffe Street, Bristol
Chalfont—Robert Graham, Chalfont

Township
Bristol—James E. Harris, Croydon—Bristol 2626
Buckingham—Ralph R. Dunn, Buckingham
Middletown—Russell L. Horner, Bellevue & Gillam Aves., Langhorne—3331
Upper Southampton—Wm. H. Stahl, Southampton—Churchville 295
Warwick—Z. F. Wobensmith, II, Jamison—Hatboro 132R-4

CAMERON COUNTY

County
Cameron—C. J. Pyle, Deputy, R. F. D. No. 2, Emporium
Cameron—Leo M. Blumle, Deputy, 116 West Fourth Street, Emporium

CENTRE COUNTY

County
Centre—W. W. Trainer, Deputy, The Pennsylvania State College, State College—711, Res. 876
Centre—Thomas Williams, County Board of Assistance, Bellefonte—733, Res. 20R3

CHESTER COUNTY

City
Coatesville—Harry E. Smith, 994 Olive Street

Borough
Elverson—Earl K. Witner, Park Avenue, Elverson—6-4156

Township
East Fallowfield—Warren Webster, R. D. No. 3, Coatesville—Coatesville 0408
East Marlborough—Norman L. Davidson, Kennett Square—636
Franklin—Orval Cloud, Kemblesville—2132
Highland—Fred W. Coates, Coatesville—Parkesburg 1-24R2
Lower Oxford—E. Harvey Chase, R. D. No. 2, Oxford—Kirkwood 49R2
West Nottingham—J. Albert Featherman, P. O. Box 28, Nottingham—Oxford 228R-1

CLEARFIELD COUNTY

City
DuBois—P. J. Swift, 407 Main Street—725-R
DuBois—Edward Wilcox, Deputy, 318 Rumbarger Avenue—472

Borough
Burnside—L. J. McNeal, Burnside—Glen Campbell 2695
Clearfield—T. R. Lytle, Clearfield—79, Res. 512
Coalport—Geo. Peacock, Coalport
Gramplan—Wm. Bacheller, Gramplan—Curwensville 9199-J-1
Glen Hope—Mrs. Carl Anderson, Glen Hope
Houtzdale—Chas. E. Saupp, 813 Good Street, Houtzdale—2611
Irvonia—Guy Morgret, Irvonia—40-R-2
Osceola Mills—W. J. Delansky, Osceola Mills—2601
Ramey—James Durbin, Ramey
Troutville—N. F. Shugarts, Troutville—27-R-131

CLINTON COUNTY

City
Lock Haven—Joseph F. Puderbaugh

COLUMBIA COUNTY

Borough
Berwick—Rev. Reed O. Steely, 139 East Front Street, Berwick

DAUPHIN COUNTY

County
Dauphin—Karl E. Peters, Deputy, 23 S. Second Street, Harrisburg—7101, Res. 3-5867

DELAWARE COUNTY

County
Delaware—Stanley Hibberd, Deputy, 315 Gayley St., Media—0124, Res. 0176
Delaware—William H. Krell, Deputy, Williamson School, Media—1392, Res. 1776

Borough
Folcroft—Wm. Cook, Jr., 1556 Elmwood Avenue, Folcroft—Sharon Hill 1900, Res. Sharon Hill 0630W

Township
Bethel—J. M. Husbands, Boothwyn
Birmingham—Harry Pyle, Chadds Ford—Mendenhall 3861
Darby—Maurice Diluzio, Bartram Avenue, Darby—Sharon Hill 0958
Edgemont—Charles Gefrore, Gradyville—Glen Mills 217R4
Lower Chichester—Alex Melling, 232 Chichester Avenue, Linwood—Chichester 52131
Lower Chichester—Louis A. MacDonald, 22 Loughhead Avenue, Linwood
Nether Providence—J. Paul Palmer, Wallingford
Radnor—Mrs. R. S. McKenzie, 212 E. Lancaster Avenue, Wayne—0500, Res. 2466
Tinicum—Fred H. Vincent, Seminole Street, Lester
Upper Darby—John A. Stucker, Deputy, 313 Lincoln Avenue, Drexel Hill
Upper Providence—Harry Bhail, Media

ERIE COUNTY

City
Corry—Walter H. Scott
Erie—Robert A. Blair, 202 Security Peoples Bank Building—4485, Res. 2-4932

Borough
North East—L. T. Card, 25 S. Washington Street, North East
North Girard—J. O. Badders, North Girard

LACKAWANNA COUNTY

County
Lackawanna—Colonel Ezra H. Ripple, Jr., Deputy, Mears Building, Scranton

City
Scranton—Willard Jones, City Hall

Borough
Archbald—James A. Reap, 232 South Laurel Street, Archbald
Clarks Summit—Herman Cole, Jr., 418 South State Street, Clarks Summit
Dickson City—Anthony Matuszewski, 958 Lincoln Street, Dickson
Dunmore—Eugene F. Holland, 308 Elm Street, Dunmore, Scranton
Jessup—William White, 500 Church Street, Jessup
Mayfield—Stephen Kelechawa, 705 May Street, Mayfield
Minooka—Simon Toole, 2700 Cedar Avenue, Minooka, Scranton
Moosic—William Burns, 152 Woodland Avenue, Moosic, Scranton
Moscow—Wesley Franklin, Moscow
Olyphant—Edward J. Burke, Willow Street, Olyphant
Taylor—Chester Llewellyn, 308 Church Street, Taylor
Throop—Arthur E. Jones, 100 George Street, Throop, Scranton
Vandling—Fred Farror, Vandling
Waverly—Mrs. Cadwalder Evans, Waverly

Township
Fell—John Withka, 666 Homestead Street, Simpson, Carbondale
Scott—Dave Fletcher, R. D., Olyphant

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Borough
Ellwood City—Lowell W. Monroe, Ellwood City

LEBANON COUNTY

County
Lebanon—Frederick S. Frantz, Deputy, Lebanon

Borough
Palmyra—Dr. J. C. Nisley, Palmyra

LEHIGH COUNTY

Township
Hanover—Joseph H. Suppan, R. D. No. 4, Allentown—Catasauqua 243R
Whitehall—Saxon A. A. Scheiler, 93 Second Street, Hokendauqua
Whitehall—John Cronin, 314 First Ave., West Catasauqua—Catasauqua 94R

LUZERNE COUNTY

County
Luzerne—Herman C. Kersteen, Deputy, 45 North Wells Street, Kingston—3-6161, Res. 7-4437
Luzerne—Stanley B. Janowski, Deputy, 53 West Main Street, Nanticoke—3-6161, Res. 1124

McKEAN COUNTY

City
Bradford—Harry C. Huntington, Office of City Clerk
Bradford—Ed. Edmonds, Deputy, Office of City Clerk

MERCER COUNTY

Borough
Clarksville—Claude W. Cubblison, Clark

MIFFLIN COUNTY

County
Mifflin—Eugene Hartsock, Deputy, 7 Woods Lane, Lewistown—4742
Mifflin—Harold B. Fleisher, Deputy, 350 S. Pine Street, Lewistown—2702
Mifflin—John Healy, Deputy, 17½ W. Market Street, Lewistown—5622
Mifflin—John A. Neill, Deputy, 420 Electric Avenue, Lewistown—5365

Borough
Lewistown—Lynn A. Peterson, 316 Shaw Avenue, Lewistown—3676

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Borough
Bryn Athyn—Evan L. Synnstedt, 1616 Walnut Street, Bryn Athyn—Kingsley 2533, Res. Chapel Hill 0160

Township
Lower Frederick—Frank Roshong, Spring Mount
Lower Moreland—Dr. Alfred L. Taxis, Huntingdon Pike, Huntingdon Valley—Chapel Hill 0198
Lower Pottsgrove—David G. Blair, R. D. No. 4, Pottstown
Lower Salford—Paul Lederach, Lederach
Montgomery—Isaac Heckler, North Wales
Perkiomen—Harold F. Kline, Graterford—Collegeville 3361
Salford—Romanus Krupp, Tylersport—Sellersville 7693
Towamencin—Ammon Henricks, Kulpsville
Upper Dublin—James J. Ottinger, Fort Washington—Ambler 0743
Upper Frederick—Samuel Faust, Obelisk
Upper Hanover—Lloyd Rosenberger, R. D., Pennsburg—Pennsburg 2641
Upper Providence—John K. Scholl, Old Black Rock Hotel, R. D. No. 1, Phoenixville—Royersford 348-J-3
Whitemarsh—Charles Wagner, R. D. No. 2, Conshohocken

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Township
Forks—Ralph H. Merwarth, R. D. No. 2, Easton—2-6665
Lower Saucon—Camille Weldner, R. D. No. 3, Bethlehem—7-5119

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

County
Northumberland—Robert S. McNinch, Deputy, 1236 Race Street, Sunbury—530, Res. 1497-R

City
Sunbury—George L. Stahl, Third and Arch Streets

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

County
Philadelphia—Hon. Raymond MacNeille, Deputy, Common Pleas Court 3, City Hall, Philadelphia—9700, Res. 3736
Philadelphia—Walter E. Lorman, Deputy, Probation Department, City Hall, Philadelphia—9700, Res. 3995
Philadelphia—Richard A. Thornburgh, Deputy, The Philadelphia Inquirer, Broad and Callowhill Sts., Philadelphia—Rittenhouse 1600, Res. Evergreen 7953
Philadelphia—Charles Willis, Deputy, J. L. Smith & Company, 1603 Sansom St., Philadelphia—Rittenhouse 1757, Res. 3569 Kingsley
Philadelphia—Edward Crumback, Deputy, 105 Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia—Market 4759, Res. Torresdale 7266

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CDVO BRIEFS

C.D.V.O.'s are functioning on a state wide basis in a highly satisfactory manner, according to Mrs. E. A. Van Valkenburg, chief of the War Services Division.

Philadelphia's total number of volunteers 39,080
inactive 7,890
active 31,190
Training courses from the following agencies were made available to volunteers:

Navy League—five language courses
Engineering, Science and War Management—Industrial Training Courses in Colleges.
Y.M.C.A.—Recreational Courses

After two years of C.D.V.O.'s continuous service in supplying the OPA Rent Division with Tuesday evening typists, the division asked that the job be cancelled due to additional paid help having been supplied. Mr. Baylinson, Rent Attorney in Charge of Evictions, expressed deep appreciation to C.D.V.O. for this long time service.

Erie C.D.V.O. has served the community well—furnished volunteers to all groups needing such service. An outstanding job was done assisting in the Soldier Ballot Canvass.

Reading C.D.V.O. has been busy with institutes. With their cooperation a splendid handbook was prepared for inductees. This proved most satisfactory. An example of youth work done by C.D.V.O. and Y.W.C.A. cooperating 22,615 senior boys and girls of high school age attended Y.W.C.A.—paying no expenses, over a period of 44 weeks.

Scranton C.D.V.O. has been busy supplying volunteers to various organized groups, collecting clothing for relief organizations, assisting in War Loan Drives, Recruitment of Nurses Aid for American Red Cross.

Pittsburgh C.D.V.O. has been exceedingly busy. Files have been brought up to date, careful classification and analysis made. Complete cooperation with OPA in furnishing volunteers to Ration Boards has been of record importance. Volunteers have been furnished to 40 various agencies in Allegheny County.

Block Plan throughout the State has made a valuable contribution to War Service Programs, in distributing material, gathering information for the Nutrition Survey—and in making the canvass for Soldier Ballot. They have assisted in drives, collection of salvage, recruiting Blood Donors etc.

Service Bar Awards have been made in 43 counties to some 41,380 volunteers—the awards range from 500—5000 hours.

Col. Adams Son-In-Law Dies in Pacific Action

Mrs. Richard Wayne Shelly, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Lynn G. Adams, has received official notice from the Navy Department that her husband, a Lieutenant (jg) in the Navy air corps, has been killed in action in the South Pacific.

Lieut. Shelly's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Shelly, of Forksville. He is their second son to be killed in the present war. Lieut. Keith Shelly, Army flier, was killed six months ago.

DISASTER RELIEF PLAN BEFORE ASSEMBLY

Bill Authorizes Governor To Set Up Post-War Agency

House Bill No. 178, embodying the Pennsylvania State Disaster Plan outlined by Governor Martin in his directive of September 15, is now in the General Assembly. The measure was prepared by the Attorney General's office in consultation with Doctor Ralph Cooper Hutchison, Executive Director of the State Council of Defense, which was charged with certain details of organization, and Colonel Lynn G. Adams, State Coordinator by appointment of the Governor.

The Bill was introduced on January 22 by Representative Franklin H. Lichtenwalter of Lehigh County, and referred to the committee on State Government of which Representative Ivan C. Watkins of Schuylkill County is Chairman.

The Bill in full is as follows:

An Act relating to disaster relief within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for the establishment of a State Disaster Relief Plan the cooperation and coordination of political subdivisions and welfare services and authorizing appropriations

Whereas an united and coordinated effort of the people and State local and volunteer agencies and facilities is essential in formulating plans to assist stricken areas and protect life and property in time of disaster

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows

Section 1 Short Title This act shall be known and may be cited as the State Disaster Relief Act

Section 2 Establishment of a State Disaster Relief Plan When the State Council of Defense is dissolved by proclamation of the Governor or by action of the General Assembly the Governor may inaugurate a State Disaster Relief Plan This plan shall be designed to provide a means of rendering prompt efficient and sufficient aid to the people of stricken areas of the State in times of disaster without duplication of effort materials equipment or supplies by a coordinated effort of the Commonwealth and the political subdivisions thereof Present agencies functioning in time of disaster shall not be superseded but the plan shall coordinate their efforts and field of activity with other constituted authorities

Section 3 The Governor may appoint a State Coordinator

who shall have the power and whose duty shall be

(1) To coordinate all the agencies of the State and all volunteer organizations which offer services to the people in time of disaster

(2) To continue the protective services of the civilian defense which are retained to retain and continue under his direction any protective services of civilian defense which he deems of value to the disaster relief plan

(3) To cooperate with political subdivisions and the coordinators appointed by them

(4) To cooperate with volunteer agencies

(5) To set up a State Control Center

Section 4 The State Coordinator with the approval of the Governor may appoint deputies officers and committees to aid him in the discharge of his powers and duties

Section 5 Each political subdivision of the Commonwealth may appoint a local coordinator Local coordinators shall cooperate with county coordinators and with the State Coordinator In so far as applicable local and county coordinators shall have the same powers and duties within their respective jurisdictions as are vested in the State Coordinator

Section 6 In order to avoid duplication of services and facilities the State Coordinator and the local and county coordinators established under the authority of this act are directed to utilize the services and facilities of existing officers offices departments commissions boards bureaus institutions and other agencies of the Commonwealth and of the political subdivisions thereof All such officers and agencies shall cooperate with and extend their services and facilities to the State and local coordinators as they shall request

Section 7 Every political subdivision shall have the power to make appropriations in the manner provided by law for making appropriations for the ordinary expenses of such political subdivisions for the payment of expenses of local and county coordinators and for the protection and preparation for the protection of the life and property of the people of this Commonwealth in time of disaster and other expenses in furtherance of this act

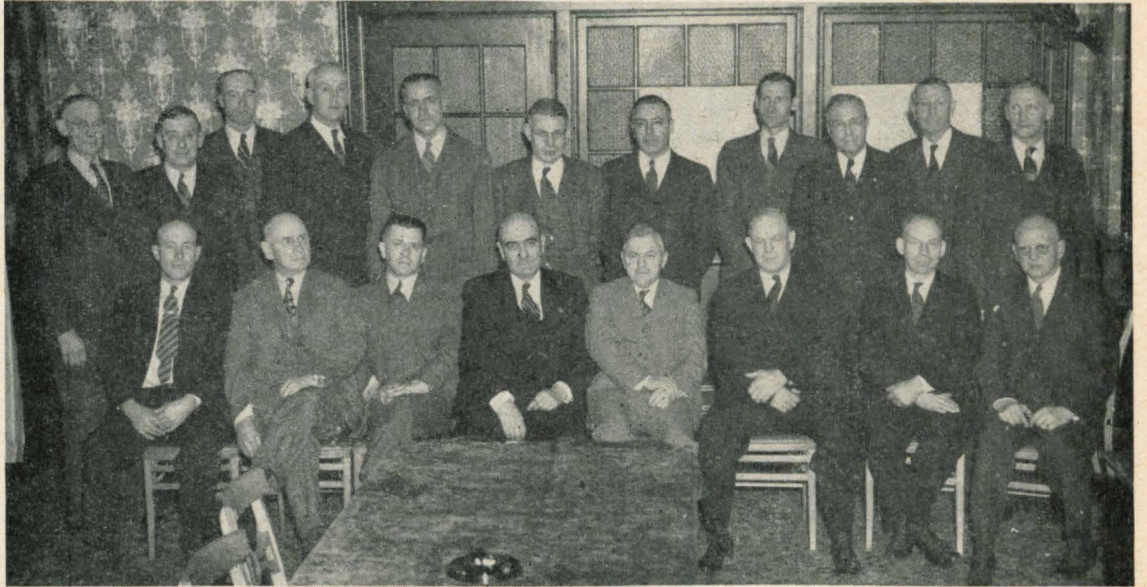
6 More Plants To Get Awards

Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, Executive Director of the State Council of Defense, announces that 6 additional plants have been approved to receive the National Security Award. This Award is granted to those plants and facilities which have established and are maintaining superior security and protective measures against enemy action, fire, sabotage and avoidable accidents. The approvals include:

American Bantam Car, Butler Hammermill Company, Erie Westinghouse Air Brake Company, Wilmerding Walworth Company, Greensburg Wyomissing Industries, Wyomissing

In the past 15 months only 73 of the 17,000 plants in Pennsylvania have been able to qualify for this coveted Award.

Disaster Plans Studied by CD Group



Plans for meeting any high water emergency in the West and North Branches of the Susquehanna River were discussed at a meeting of county co-ordinators in Williamsport recently. Speaker was Col. Lynn G. Adams, state co-ordinator. Those who attended are pictured above, left to right: First row—George H. Wagner, Union County; Samuel B. Wolfe, Union County; Thomas Williams, Centre County; Col. Adams; the Rev. H. K. Franks, Columbia County; F. E. McIntyre, Clinton County; George R. Lamade, Lycoming County. Second row—Andrew Kelly, Union County; C. A. Patton, Montour County; Walter Davies, Susquehanna County; W. S. Dalzell, of the Department of Forests and Waters; J. R. Crosetto, Tioga County; Charles G. Webb, Tioga County; W. Van Person, Lycoming County; R. C. Wible, Columbia County; C. W. Bennett, state liaison officer; R. D. Anthony, Centre County, and Charles E. Freeman, SCD regional representative.

NEWS FROM THE COUNTIES

Bucks—Members of Fire Companies have helped make the Waste Paper Salvage Collection in Bucks County very successful. Arrangements have been made for the volunteer firemen making the collections to sell the paper.

McKean County—The proposition has been advanced that a portion of the State gasoline tax be made available to County Commissioners for construction and maintenance of local airports. Members of Civilian Defense have been much interested in the improvement of airport facilities in the county.

Philadelphia County—Ambulance drills arranged by Chairman, Harry S. McDevitt, have been somewhat interfered with by the heavy snow, but members of ambulance crews have reported to towns designated at the meeting places. The McDevitt plan is considered so excellent that Director Stanley Hibberd is arranging to set it up in portions of Delaware County. The Philadelphia system of ambulance drills has attracted attention in all the south-eastern Pennsylvania counties.

Centre County—Meetings of Defense Units were considerably interfered with during the month of January by some 30 inches of snow and several sub-zero thermometer readings. The drifts in portions of Centre County are among the highest in recent years.

Montour County—Chairman Patton has reported to the State Council Headquarters that the Danville Rescue Squad is maintaining its drills and kept on its toes, ready to meet any emergency.

Philadelphia County—A report from the Philadelphia Council Offices states, "The Philadelphia Air Raid Wardens have sold 1/4 of all the War Bonds sold in Philadelphia during the Sixth War Loan Drive."

Montgomery County—The Teen-Age Centers set up in Montgomery County are pro-

gressing very well. There is a report of one group of young negro people who have set up a Teen-Age Center of their own and have arranged to finance it. It has been very successful and has attracted much favorable comment.

Luzerne County—Plans are well advanced for organization of the Disaster Plan by Legislative District Areas as is the case with certain Civilian Defense activities in this county. Many people of prominence in business and civic affairs in Luzerne County are taking a great interest in the development of the Disaster Plan.

Erie County—Civilian Defense members in the City of Erie have been commended officially and highly praised in newspaper notices for the part they played in shoveling snow during the worst period of Erie's affliction by heavy snowfalls. They especially won compliments for the speed with which they cleared spaces around fire hydrants and entrances to fire houses, hospitals and other places.

Sirens Stay on Job

Sirens, unlike horses, do not eat oats when not working, Pittsburgh Councilman F. W. Weir sagely observed recently and so that city's sirens, which have not proclaimed an air raid drill since last April, will continue to rest unmolested on their icy perches.

Coordinators

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Philadelphia—Ben Lapensohn, Deputy, 1711 Market Street, National Bank Bldg., Philadelphia—Rittenhouse 9860, Res. 5233 Greenwood
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Philadelphia—Victor E. Moore, Deputy, 1418 Walnut Street, Philadelphia—Pennypacker 0307, Res. 6621 Evergreen
Philadelphia—Harry O'Connell, Deputy, Registration Commission, City Hall, Philadelphia—Municipal 9700, Res. Allegheny 6227
Philadelphia—John Stuckert, Deputy, Lumberman's Insurance Company, 401 Walnut Street, Philadelphia—Lombard 8690, Res. Waverly 9476

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Coaldale—Thomas J. Evans, 67 First Street, Coaldale—466
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Palo Alto—Gus Costas, 132 W. Bacon Street, Palo Alto, Pottsville—Palo Alto 4710
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Port Carbon—Harold Bensinger, Port Carbon
New Ringgold—Samuel B. Bender, New Ringgold—McKeansburg 27-R-5
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Township
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WARREN COUNTY

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Youngsville—Warren J. Kay, Youngsville

WASHINGTON COUNTY

County
Washington—Arthur F. Filer, 160 South Wade Avenue, Washington

WESTMORELAND COUNTY

Borough
Youngwood—E. E. Dellett, Youngwood
Township
North Huntingdon—Hon. Ross W. Allshouse, Irwin